

Table 17. **Selected Characteristics of Farms by Specified Racial Groups, Sex of Operators, and Persons of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin: 1997 and 1992—Con.**

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Characteristics	Farms operated by specified racial groups					Operators by sex		Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin ¹
	Total	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other (see text)	Female	Male	
1997 OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS								
Operators by place of residence:								
On farm operated	55	20	26	4	5	1 355	12 409	70
Not on farm operated	12	5	4	2	1	234	2 720	11
Not reported	3	1	1	1	—	95	959	3
Operators by principal occupation:								
Farming	23	11	11	1	—	772	6 373	44
Other	47	15	20	6	6	912	9 715	40
Operators by days worked off farm:								
None	23	14	7	2	—	845	5 545	39
Any	47	12	24	5	6	728	9 761	42
1 to 99 days	10	4	5	1	—	129	1 173	7
100 to 199 days	5	—	3	1	1	121	1 512	5
200 days or more	32	8	16	3	5	478	7 076	30
Not reported	—	—	—	—	—	111	782	3
Operators by years on present farm:								
2 years or less	2	—	1	—	1	97	606	4
3 or 4 years	6	1	2	2	1	116	929	3
5 to 9 years	16	7	8	—	1	272	2 028	13
10 years or more	30	12	13	2	3	885	9 654	51
Average years on present farm	15.6	18.3	14.2	12.5	14.7	20.8	21.0	20.9
Not reported	16	6	7	3	—	314	2 871	13
Operators by age group:								
Under 25 years	1	1	—	—	—	8	79	—
25 to 34 years	2	—	2	—	—	80	713	4
35 to 44 years	12	3	5	2	2	242	2 496	11
45 to 54 years	22	5	13	3	1	330	4 158	25
55 to 59 years	14	6	5	1	2	141	1 997	7
60 to 64 years	5	1	3	—	1	168	1 889	9
65 to 69 years	6	5	1	—	—	205	1 712	4
70 years and over	8	5	2	1	—	510	3 044	24
Average age	54.0	58.7	50.9	53.3	49.8	59.6	56.4	57.4
Operators by sex:								
Male	59	20	28	6	5	(X)	16 088	77
Female	11	6	3	1	1	1 684	(X)	7
Operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin (see text)	5	—	1	1	3	7	77	84
1997 COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION LOANS AND GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS								
Amount received from Commodity Credit Corporation loans								
farms	—	—	—	—	—	1	71	2
\$1,000	—	—	—	—	—	(D)	(D)	(D)
Government payments received	3	2	—	1	—	146	1 755	14
\$1,000	1	(D)	—	(D)	—	198	3 694	26

¹See chapter 1, table 16 for operators not of or not reporting Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin.